

Format Requirements

Films should be submitted as **full-quality Quicktime/ MOV files on USB flash drive**. DVDs may be **submitted instead, but USB drives are preferred**. All other formats (including VHS, Windows Media files, low-quality QuickTime files, etc.) will be automatically disqualified.

If submitting on DVD, entries must be formatted for NTSC Region 1 (North America) and labeled with the film's title, running time, and director(s) name(s). Please double-check that your DVD plays your entire film on standard consumer DVD players.

Legal Disclaimers

When you enter a film in the 13th Annual Teen Filmmaker Festival,

- you give all sponsoring parties permission to use film titles, images, names, and any other film info to promote future Teen Filmmaker Festivals;
- you understand that a jury will review all submissions and select those to be screened at the Teen Filmmaker Festival;
- you accept that the jury may not select films for the festival that contain excessive violent or obscene content.

Broadcast

The Public Media Network will cover the Teen Filmmaker Festival. PMN will broadcast entries chosen for the festival, awards presentations, and interviews with winners. Check www.publicmedianet.org for broadcast dates and times. DVDs of festival coverage and interviews will be presented to award winners and available to purchase.

Questions?

Call (269) 553-7807 or (269) 349-7775 x 3162.
For filmmaker tips and FAQs go to www.kpl.gov/teenfilmfest

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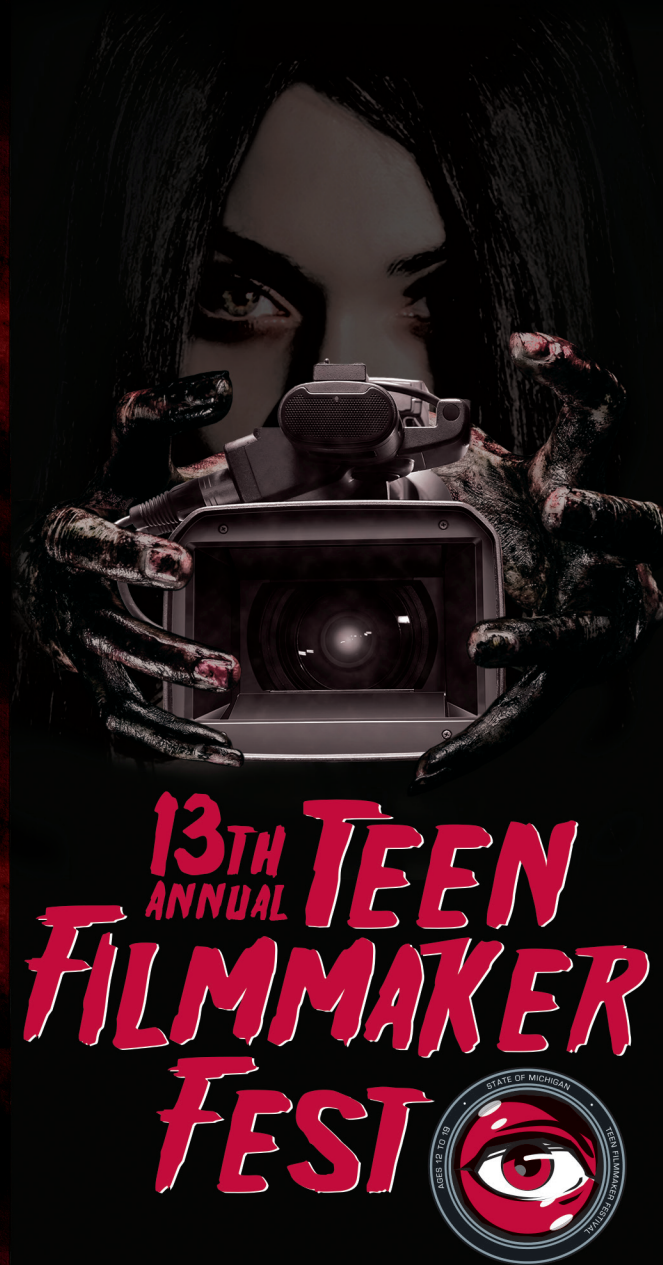
www.facebook.com/teenfilmfest

Teen Filmmaker Festival

On **Saturday, February 20th** at 2:30 pm, we'll roll out the (metaphorical) red carpet for the Teen Filmmaker Festival! Film finalists will be screened at this special event open to movie fans of all ages. Enjoy plenty of movie snacks and be sure to cast your vote for the People's Choice award!



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**CALL FOR ENTRIES DEADLINE
SATURDAY, JANUARY 30**

13TH ANNUAL Teen Filmmaker Festival

Entry Form

You must attach a completed entry form to each film you enter in the Teen Filmmaker Festival. Only **one film per form**. All films must be submitted to Teen Services, Kalamazoo Public Library, 315 S. Rose St., 49007 by **5 pm, Saturday, January 30, 2016**. Please print clearly using blue or black ink. All information required.

Filmmaker Info

Name	
Address	
City	Zip
Phone	
Email	
Age	School
Teen's Signature	
Parent or Guardian's Signature	

Film Info

Film Title
Length
Format
Synopsis



TEEN FILMMAKER FEST

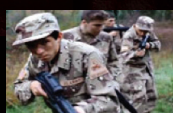


February 20, 2016 • 2:30 pm

Enter your films in the 13th Annual Teen Filmmaker Festival, the best film festival for teens in Michigan!



Expert judges will award prizes for the best films in eight categories, plus a grand prize. Audience members will vote for the People's Choice.



Are you the next Judd Apatow, Sofia Coppola, Spike Lee, Sam Rami, or Zack Snyder? Start shooting and find out - **Action!**

Timeline

Films Due by 5 pm, Saturday, January 30, 2016.

A jury will review every film entered and select festival finalists. Not every film submitted will be selected for screening at the festival. Entries must be postmarked by Saturday, January 30.

Email Notification by Monday, February 8, 2016.

Filmmakers will be notified if their film has been selected by **email**. Titles of selected films will also be posted to the Facebook page.

Teen Filmmaker Festival on Saturday, February 20, 2:30 pm.

Festival finalists will be screened at festival location.

Award Categories

- Grand Prize for Best Film
- Best Animation
- Best Experimental Film
- Best Music Video
- Best Short Film
- Best Technical Merit
- Best Cinematic Merit
- Judges' Choice
- Plus
- People's Choice

A panel of judges will select the winners in each category except the People's Choice Award, which will be chosen at the Teen Filmmaker Festival by the audience members.

Official Rules

Films must be produced by teens, ages 12-19, who reside in the state of Michigan. More than one teen may work on a film. Adults may be talent in a film, but should not perform any other duty in the actual creation of the film. **Films may not be more than 10 minutes long.** No bloopers, please. Teens may submit more than one film. Films submitted to the festival will not be returned.

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